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FOREST, ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE CHANGE DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 30th June 2025

S.R.O. No. 480/2025—Whereas, Forest Block Baula-B Reserve Forest under Section 20 (A) of the Indian Forest Act,1927, has been notified by Government of Odisha, Revenue Department Notification No. 12F-139 (M/2)-59-41164, dated the 28th November 1959 indicating an Area of 99.55 ha as per working Plan of Athagarh Forest Division (2007-08 to 2016-17) in Khuntuni Forest Range of Athagarh Forest Division as per Annexure-I ;

And whereas, the Government of Odisha in the Forest & Environment Department have notified a "Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for geo-referencing of Forest Block boundary through DGPS Survey" in the *Odisha Gazette* vide Notification No. 22572400112016-10F(Cons)-77/2016-14097-F&E, dated the 4th July 2017, for preparation of such geo-referenced forest maps in pursuance of the directives of Hon'ble Supreme Court in their order dated the 6th July 2011 [in IA Nos. 1868, 2091, 2225—2227, 2380, 2568 and 2937 in Writ Petition (C) No. 202 of 1995-Lafarge matter] ;

And whereas, the Government of Odisha have appointed all Tehsildars in their respective Tehsil jurisdiction in the respective districts as Forest Settlement Officer (FSO) vide Notification No. 7767—10F(TR)-38/2020-F&E, dated the 21st May 2020 ;

And whereas, the Forest Revenue Joint Verification Committee has jointly verified and confirmed the boundary pillar positions as per report in Annexure-II ;

And whereas, the Forest Settlement Officer has certified 'No Change' in the boundary extent of Baula-B RF post 25th October 1980. The DGPS survey boundary co-ordinates have been verified by ORSAC and certified by the Forest Settlement Officer. The computed area (UTM Zone 45N projection and WGS 84 datum) of the Baula-B RF is 100.392 ha or 248.07Ac. The change in area is due to method of Survey & Area Computation.

Therefore, it has been decided to supplement the existing notification of the Baula-B RF with the above-mentioned FSO certified DGPS surveyed Forest Block map as per Annexure-III, and the statement of geo-co-ordinates of the Forest Block boundary pillar positions as per Annexure-IV, which shall be treated as the precise boundary description of the Baula-B RF and shall form an integral part of the original notification in place of any other form of boundary description notified earlier.

There shall be no change to the admitted rights in the original notification.

[No. 15623—PT3-FE-DIV-MISC-0011-2016-10F(Cons)-34/2020-FE&CC]

By order of the Governor

SATYABRATA SAHU

Additional Chief Secretary to Government

Annexure-I

DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATIONS

The 7th October 1959

No. 36554—12-11(D)/59-D.—In pursuance of sub-section(1) the Indian Forest Act, 1927 (16 of 1927), the State Government do hereby direct that the No cut area of 10·86 acres as specified below out of the total area of 883 acres of Garjan Block which according to Working Plan of Reserved Forest of Kalahandi was treated as Reserved Forest shall cease to be Reserved Forest with effect from the date of notification.

Specification of the disafforested area

Name of the Reserve or portions of the Reserve disafforested	District	Pargana	Village	Area in acres
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Garjan ..	Kalahandi	Junagarh	Jamchuan	10·86

Boundaries

North—Bhatrajore Minor Irrigation Project area

South—Part of Garjan Reserved Forest and part of Bhatrajore Minor Irrigation Project area.

East—Part of Bhatrajore Minor Irrigation Project area

West—Part of Garjan Reserved Forest

Brief discription—Miscellaneous forest without any valuable forest growth.

Reasons for disafforestation—Coming under submerged area due to construction of Bhatrajore Minor Irrigation Project.

The 7th October 1959

No. 36556—12F-41 (D)/59-D.—In pursuance of sub-section 27 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927 (16 of 1927), the State Government do hereby direct that the Forest area of 22·87 acres as specified below out of the total area of 7,439 acres of Ghana block which according to Working Plan of Reserved Forest of Kalahandi was treated as Reserved Forest shall cease to be Reserved Forest with effect from the date of notification.

Specification of the disafforested area

Name of the Reserve or portions of the Reserve disafforested	District	Pargana	Village	Area in acres
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Ghana ..	Kalahandi	Junagarh	Golamunda	22·87

Boundaries

North—Part of Ghana Reserved Forest

East—Part of Ghana Reserved Forest

South—Part of Ghana Reserved Forest and part of Bhatrajore Minor Irrigation Project area.

West—Part of Ghana Reserved Forest and part of Bhatrajore Minor Irrigation Project area.

Brief description—Miscellaneous Forest without any valuable forest growth.

Reasons for disafforestation—Coming under submerged area due to construction of Bhatrajore Minor Irrigation Project.

The 28th November 1959

No. 41164—12F-130(M/2)/59-D.—In pursuance of sub-section (3) of section 20-A of the Indian Forest Act, 1927 (XVI of 1927), as amended subsequently in its application to the State of Orissa by Orissa Act XI of 1954, the State Government do hereby certify that the document mentioned in the schedule hereto annexed had been prepared under the authority of the Ruler of Athgarh State before the date of merger and has been under the authority of the State Government continued to be recognised, maintained and acted upon thereafter.

SCHEDULE

1. Register of Reserved and Protected Forests of Athgarh State.

The 30th November 1959

No. 41376—12F-139(M/2)/59-D.—In pursuance of sub-section (3) of section 20-A of the Indian Forest Act, 1927 (XVI of 1927), as amended subsequently in its application to the State of Orissa by Orissa Act XI of 1954, the State Government do hereby certify that the documents mentioned in the Schedule hereto annexed had been prepared under the authority of the Ruler of Mayurbhanj State before the date of merger and have been under the authority of the State Government continued to be recognised, maintained and acted upon thereafter.

SCHEDULE

1. The Mayurbhanj Forest Manuual
2. Working plan for the Sioliipal and Natio reserves, Mayurbhanj State for the year 1947-1948 to 1966-67.
3. Register or reserved forests of Western Division
4. Register of reserved forests of Northern Division
5. Register of reserved forests of Southern Division

The 30th November 1959

No. 41378—12F-139(M/2)/59-D.—In pursuance of sub-section (3) of section 20-A of Indian Forest Act, 1927 (XVI of 192-), as amended subsequently in its application to the State of Orissa by Orissa Act XI of 1954, the State Government do hereby certify that the documents mentioned in the Schedule hereto annexed had been prepared under the authority of the Ruler of Bamra State before the date of merger and have been under the authority of the State Government continued to be recognised, maintained and acted upon thereafter.

SCHEDULE

1. Register of Reserve forests of Bamra State
2. Notification of the 25th June 1940, declaring the Ulansar forest block in Bamra as reserved.

By order of the Governor

O. O. DASH

Secretary to Government

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Record Keeper
Board of Revenue, Orissa
Cuttack, Date....
Authorised U/S 76 Act

Division. Mostly these encroachments are very old and well established. The maps are also not available for most of the blocks. Hence there are difficulties in defining the boundaries. As a result difference in the notified area and the computed area has come up. It is suggested that steps should be taken to carry out the fresh survey of all the blocks and correct the maps using modern equipments like GPS.

Table:1.13 AREA STATEMENT OF ATHGARH DIVISION

Range	Forest Block	Area in Ha.	Notification No.& Date	Remarks
NARSINHGPUR EAST	1.Nuagarh RF	4269.58	No.34016-12F-179(M)-57 Dt.9.11.57.	
	2.Deobhuin RF	6545.61	-do-	
	3. Olab RF	2700.15	-do-	
	4.Chandragiri 'B'RF	742.62		
	5.Mundagada B' RF	131.93	-do-	
	Total RF	**14389.89**		
	6.Bhuska PRF	**184.13**	No.8291dtd. 07.02.79	9 ha encroached
NARSINGHPUR WEST	7. Balikiyari RF	5524.15	No.34016-12F-179(M)-57 Dt.9.11.57.	
	8. Barakhol 'B'RF	1238.38		3 ha encroached
	9. Brahmandei 'B' RF	106.84	-do-	2.5 ha encroached
	Total RF	**6869.37**		
	10. Balikiary-II PRF	248.89	No.7179dtd.23.01.79	5 ha encroached
	Total PRF	**248.89**		
BARAMBA	11. Chandragiri (A) RF	427.31	-do-	
	12.Haladiaseni RF	3866.98	No.9262/D-12F-42 (M/2) 58 dt.14.3.59.	
	13.Badajora RF	1179.13	-do-	8 ha encroached
	14.Taraiganda RF	1043.72	-do-	20 ha encroached
	15. Kumaranga RF	410.39	-do-	10 ha encroached
	16.Talachandragiri (B) RF	815.71	-do-	65 ha encroached
	17. Nagatota (B) RF	2131.96	-do-	24 ha encroached
	18. Mandap (B) RF	430.6	-do-	6 ha encroached
	19.Jagabeherathali (B) RF	305.04	-do-	16 ha encroached
	20. Karada (B) RF	1273.99	-do-	30 ha encroached
	21. Belapada (B) RF	108.78	-do-	7 ha encroached

	22. Jhinkal (B) RF	472.85	-do-	10 ha encroached
	Total RF	**12466.46**		
	23. Baghamundia PRF	97.43	No. 5670 dt. 25.01.80	
	24. Khalidhip Janisahi PRF	23.22	No. 5682 dt. 25.01.80	
	25. Kandhamundia PRF	22.09	No. 5816 dt. 25.01.80	
	26.Gothamundia PRF	86.73	No. 5678 dt. 25.01.80	
	27. Birigadia PRF	47.75	No. 5674 dt. 25.01.80	5 ha encroached
	28. Kabatbar PRF	60.13	No. 5666 dt. 25.01.80	
	29. Ganguari PRF	31.97	No. 5662 dt. 25.01.80	
	30. Telunia	18.21	No. 24739 dt.02.04.80	10 ha encroached
	Total PRF	**387.53**		
ATHGARH	31. Sukhasan RF	1036.03	12(F)-139(M/2) (59) 41164 dt.28.11.59.	50 ha encroached
	32.Khalakhala (B) RF	562.53	-do-	13 ha encroached
	33.Baudabanakhandi(B) RF	446.38	-do-	
	34. Oringa (B) RF	455.28	-do-	100 ha encroached
	35.Jenapada (B) RF	171.59	-do-	6 ha encroached
	36. Subasi (1&2Part) RF	790.14	-do-	
	37. Ranibania (C-1) RF	283.37	-do-	
	38. Adal (B) RF	252.7	-do-	6 ha encroached
	39.Nizigarh (B) RF	789.16	-do-	28 ha encroached
	40.Kalichaballabh (B) RF	744.64	6729dt.25.2.58	20 ha encroached
	41. Sorispal(B) RF	713.89	-do-	30 ha encroached
	Total RF	**6245.71**		
	42. Saranda PRF	162.93	No. 63694 dt .17.11.70	
	43. Phulbadi PRF	363.42	No. 63690 dt .17.11.70	
	44. Megha PRF	53.82	No.30602 dt. 18.04.79	
	45. Kandarapur PRF	16.59	No. 49363 dt. 06.07.79	
	Total PRF	**596.76**		
KHUNTUNI	46.Baniabandha RF	5919.95	12F-139(M/2)59-41164 dt.28.11.59	55 ha encroached
	47.Gobara (B) RF	651.56	-do-	100 ha encroached
	48.Sankhapoi (B) RF	519.63	-do-	15 ha encroached
	49.Baula (B) RF	99.55	-do-	1.5 ha encroached
	50.Suniamuhan (B) RF	214.89	-do-	4 ha encroached
	51. Brahmanbasta (B) RF	359.37	-do-	32 ha encroached
	Ranibania (part) RF	785.84	-do-	
	Subasi (part) RF	600.00	-do-	5 ha encroached

Annexure-II

FOREST REVENUE JOINT VERIFICATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Forest Division: Athgarh **Forest Range:** Khuntuni

Minutes of Joint Verification:

List of participation of the Forest-Revenue joint verification committee is given at Table 1.

VerificatJointion of the boundary of **Baula (B) RF** Forest Block was carried out during 30-12-2021 to 30-12-2021. Existing pillar position recorded through GPS were plotted and compared against geo-referenced cadastral maps of adjoining villages. The verified forest boundary map is enclosed at Plate-1. Findings of the verification w.r.t. revenue cadastral is given below:

- Name of notified forest block: Baula (B) RF
- Notification no. & date: 12F-139 (M/2)59-4164 Dt. 28-11-1959
- Area as per notification:. 99.55 Ha.
- Existing no. of boundary demarcations in conformity with adjoining village boundary: 14 nos. (Annexure -1)
- New boundary demarcations in conformity with adjoining village boundary: 25 nos. (Annexure -2)
- GPS area of verified boundary: 100.058 ha
- GPS perimeter of verified boundary: 4.929 km

Observations:

Notification & Traverse map is not available. Area as per Division record = 99.550 Ha. The verified boundary area diff is found to be 100.058 Ha. (diff is 0.508 Ha, i.e. 0.51 % from NFA). Forest boundary demarcation Pillars are in Conformity with Cadastral Map, existing pillars & HRSI. Change of area is due to old method of Survey and Area computation.

TABLE - I

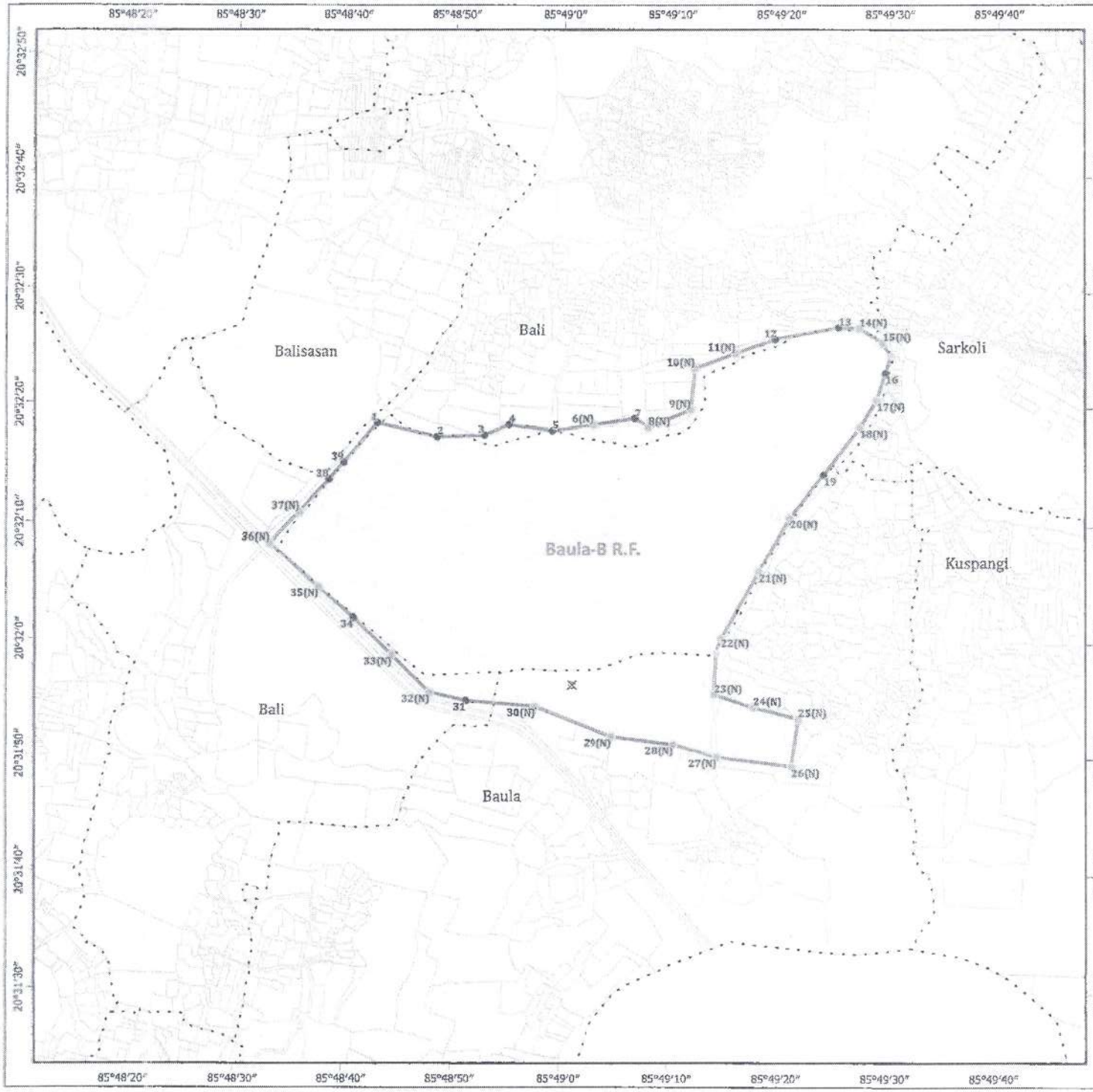
Forest and Revenue department officials(RO/FR/FG/RI/Amin) and TP involved in Joint verification of Forest Boundary

Name	Designation	Signature
Rakesh Kumar Dalei	Forester, Oranda.	Forester Oronda Section
Shreekant Pradhan	Forest Guard, Oranda	
Gajendra Pal Singh Meena	RO, Ichhanduni	Forest Range Officer Khuntuni Range
Suchandra Kumar Mohanty	R.I, Oranda.	REVENUE INSPECTOR ORANDA

Counter Signed by :

Tahsildar
TAHASILDAR
Athagarh

Divisional Forest Officer
Divisional Forest Officer
Athagarh Division



Geo-referencing of Notified Forests in Athagarh Forest Division

Reference Forest Block Boundary Map
w.r.t Adjacent Revenue Village (Cadastral) Boundary
(based on Forest Revenue Jc. Verification)

Baula-B R.F., Khuntuni Range

0.1 0 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 km

Legend

- Existing Pillar (14 nos)
- New Pillar (25 nos)
- Virtual Pillar (2 nos)
- Rejected Pillar (1 nos)
- RF Boundary
- Village Boundary

Index Map

Athagarh Forest Division

Notified Area = 99.55 ha.

GPS area* as per joint verification = 100.058 ha.

*(*Projected area in UTM Prj. Zone 45N & WGS 84 Datum)*

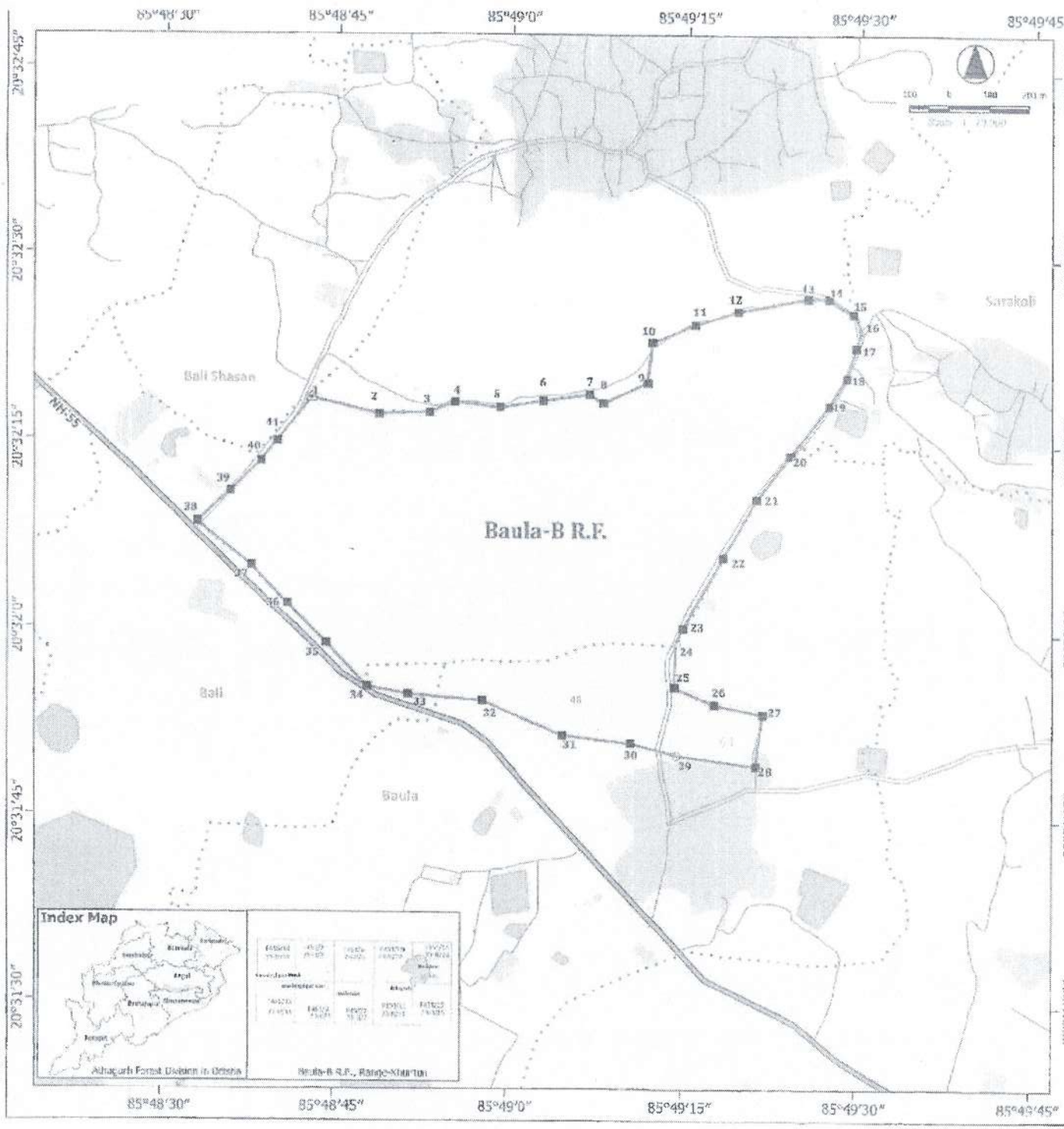
Surveyor (CDLTP) Forester Revenue Inspector Range Officer

Forester
Oronda Section

REVENUE INSPECTOR
ORANDA

Forest Range Officer
Khuntuni Range

Prepared by: SPARC Pvt. Ltd. (CDLTP) Angul Office



BAULA - B R.F.

Forest Division : ATHAGARH, Forest Range : KHUNTUNI

Geo-referenced Forest Block Map based on DGPS Survey

Legend :-

- Forest Boundary Pillar / Virtual Pillar
- FSCP on Forest Boundary
- Forest Block Boundary
- Revenue Village Boundary
- Settlement
- Range Boundary
- Railway
- Major Road
- Other Road
- River / Stream / WB

Statement of Geo-coordinates of Pillar Position (UTM Zone:45N, WGS 84 Datum)

Athagarh Forest Division, Khuntuni Range

Pillar No.	Longitude	Latitude	Pillar No.	Longitude	Latitude
1(FSCP)	85° 48' 42.862572"	20° 32' 18.463418"	22	85° 49' 18.313490"	20° 32' 0.306316"
2	85° 48' 46.949501"	20° 32' 17.208018"	23	85° 49' 18.802204"	20° 32' 0.202232"
3	85° 48' 52.967865"	20° 32' 17.392418"	24(V)	85° 49' 17.273075"	20° 31' 59.417618"
4	85° 48' 55.060092"	20° 32' 18.336403"	25	85° 49' 17.259587"	20° 31' 59.376735"
5	85° 48' 59.072508"	20° 32' 17.810884"	26	85° 49' 16.618186"	20° 31' 59.241159"
6	85° 49' 2.854236"	20° 32' 18.420072"	27	85° 49' 21.850572"	20° 31' 59.435412"
7	85° 49' 6.774096"	20° 32' 18.365356"	28	85° 49' 21.396852"	20° 31' 59.282056"
8	85° 49' 7.884845"	20° 32' 18.268096"	29(V)	85° 49' 24.410082"	20° 31' 59.285835"
9	85° 49' 11.652236"	20° 32' 19.802372"	30	85° 49' 10.498636"	20° 31' 59.160149"
10	85° 49' 12.035151"	20° 32' 23.239285"	31	85° 49' 4.559775"	20° 31' 59.047644"
11	85° 49' 15.758803"	20° 32' 23.664708"	32	85° 48' 57.035228"	20° 31' 58.908120"
12	85° 49' 19.455812"	20° 32' 23.833986"	33	85° 48' 51.280615"	20° 31' 58.811241"
13	85° 49' 25.378072"	20° 32' 23.892746"	34	85° 48' 47.009140"	20° 31' 58.904851"
14	85° 49' 27.231986"	20° 32' 24.031212"	35	85° 48' 45.194454"	20° 31' 58.886482"
15	85° 49' 29.368048"	20° 32' 23.753896"	36	85° 48' 40.033535"	20° 32' 0.081227"
15(M)	85° 49' 30.222231"	20° 32' 24.451504"	37	85° 48' 42.033016"	20° 32' 0.175184"
17	85° 49' 29.617262"	20° 32' 27.948986"	38	85° 48' 42.553140"	20° 32' 0.199916"
18	85° 49' 28.835808"	20° 32' 29.903086"	39	85° 48' 43.845012"	20° 32' 0.143454"
19	85° 49' 27.314102"	20° 32' 34.304486"	40	85° 48' 38.403638"	20° 32' 0.227858"
20	85° 49' 26.052774"	20° 32' 34.102976"	41	85° 48' 39.422452"	20° 32' 0.236218"
21	85° 49' 21.158922"	20° 32' 0.817206"			

Differential GPS Surveyed Area= 100.392 Ha.

Notes:

1. The pillar locations were as per joint field verification and certification by the Forest - Revenue Joint Verification Committee (FRJVC) on 11-Oct-2021.

2. Above DGPS Coordinates are with respect to Forest Primary Control Point (FPCP) located at Bhubaneswar Range office (FPCP Code: CHARGE-006)

FSO's certificate on Final Geo-referenced Notified Forest Block Map

"DGPS surveyed area of Baula-B R.F. situated in the Tehsil of Athagarh, District: Cuttack, Odisha. Forest Division:- Athagarh, Forest Range : Khuntuni is 100.392 Ha. as per geo- coordinates of the boundary pillars computed with respect to the State Ground Control Point Network, extended from National geo-referencing framework in UTM zone 45N Projection and WGS 84 Datum. The forest boundary remains intact since 25th October 1980, which has been jointly verified and certified by the Forest Revenue Joint Verification Committee on 11-Oct-2021. The surveyed map has been finalized after due hearing and disposal of public claims and objections as per provisions of Standard Operating Procedure notified by the Government of Odisha in this regard"

Divisional Forest Officer
Divisional Forest Officer
Athagarh Division

TAHASILDAR
(Tahasildar)

Annexure-IV

STATEMENT OF GEO-COORDINATES OF PILLAR POSITIONS

Forest Division: **Athgarh** Forest Range : **Khuntuni** Forest Block Name: **Baula-B RF**

Ground Control Point (GCP) References. (All coordinates in WGS84 datum & UTM Zone 45N projection)

GCP Type	GCP Location	Latitude(DMS)	Longitude(DMS)	Latitude(DD)	Longitude(DD)
FPCP	Khuntuni Range Office	20°33'43.052400"	85°43'40.152000"	20.56195900	85.72782000
FSCP1	Baula-B RF , Pillar No- 1	20°32'18.463488"	85°48'42.862572"	20.53846208	85.81190627

Geo-coordinates of Boundary Pillar Position (Total: 41 nos.)

Pillar No	Latitude(DMS)	Longitude(DMS)	Latitude(DD)	Longitude(DD)
1	20°32'18.463488"	85°48'42.862572"	20.53846208	85.81190627
2	20°32'17.206044"	85°48'48.546504"	20.53811279	85.81348514
3	20°32'17.392416"	85°48'52.903980"	20.53816456	85.81469555
4	20°32'18.236400"	85°48'55.060092"	20.53839900	85.81529447
5	20°32'17.810664"	85°48'59.072508"	20.53828074	85.81640903
6	20°32'18.420972"	85°49'2.854236"	20.53845027	85.81745951
7	20°32'18.945564"	85°49'6.774996"	20.53859599	85.81854861
8	20°32'18.260088"	85°49'7.984848"	20.53840558	85.81888468
9	20°32'19.965372"	85°49'11.692236"	20.53887927	85.81991451
10	20°32'23.195184"	85°49'12.055152"	20.53977644	85.82001532
11	20°32'24.664704"	85°49'15.754080"	20.54018464	85.82104280
12	20°32'25.823940"	85°49'19.495812"	20.54050665	85.82208217
13	20°32'26.892744"	85°49'25.374072"	20.54080354	85.82371502
14	20°32'26.911212"	85°49'27.231960"	20.54080867	85.82423110
15	20°32'25.755396"	85°49'29.394048"	20.54048761	85.82483168
16	20°32'24.453564"	85°49'30.222732"	20.54012599	85.82506187
17	20°32'22.948980"	85°49'29.677260"	20.53970805	85.82491035
18	20°32'20.503068"	85°49'28.899804"	20.53902863	85.82469439
19	20°32'18.255480"	85°49'27.314292"	20.53840430	85.82425397
20	20°32'14.168976"	85°49'24.002724"	20.53726916	85.82333409
21	20°32'10.647024"	85°49'21.198900"	20.53629084	85.82255525
22	20°32'6.055116"	85°49'18.313392"	20.53501531	85.82175372
23	20°32'0.262212"	85°49'14.865564"	20.53340617	85.82079599
24	20°31'59.117628"	85°49'14.273076"	20.53308823	85.82063141
25	20°31'55.535736"	85°49'14.156364"	20.53209326	85.82059899
26	20°31'54.231384"	85°49'17.651892"	20.53173094	85.82156997
27	20°31'53.425416"	85°49'21.850572"	20.53150706	85.82273627
28	20°31'49.282608"	85°49'21.336852"	20.53035628	85.82259357
29	20°31'50.083716"	85°49'14.410020"	20.53057881	85.82066945
30	20°31'51.066516"	85°49'10.490808"	20.53085181	85.81958078
31	20°31'51.647988"	85°49'4.699776"	20.53101333	85.81797216
32	20°31'54.385860"	85°48'57.635928"	20.53177385	85.81600998
33	20°31'54.811344"	85°48'51.180516"	20.53189204	85.81421681
34	20°31'55.404012"	85°48'47.709396"	20.53205667	85.81325261
35	20°31'58.884384"	85°48'44.194464"	20.53302344	85.81227624

Pillar No	Latitude(DMS)	Longitude(DMS)	Latitude(DD)	Longitude(DD)
36	20°32'2.012172"	85°48'40.855320"	20.53389227	85.81134870
37	20°32'5.105184"	85°48'37.713816"	20.53475144	85.81047606
38	20°32'8.486916"	85°48'32.952240"	20.53569081	85.80915340
39	20°32'10.935420"	85°48'35.844012"	20.53637095	85.80995667
40	20°32'13.327008"	85°48'38.491668"	20.53703528	85.81069213
41	20°32'14.936784"	85°48'39.922452"	20.53748244	85.81108957

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